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1. CHINA

WH 11/13 ANNOUNCEMENT EXPECTED THAT PRES WILL VISIT PRC
DEC 1-4, WITH ONE-DAY STOPS INDONESIA, PHILS, ENROUTE
HOME. ADVANCE PARTY NOW EXPECTED LEAVE MONDAY (AP, NYT).
UPI'S GROWALD (GLOBE, PHINQ). REPORTS WH SPOKESMEN
SAYING EARLIER CANCELLATION ADVANCE TEAM'S DEPARTURE
WAS DUE TO "MIXUP" IN TEAM PLANNING FOR ARRANGING PARIS
ECON AND CHINESE VISITS. BUT DIPLOMATIC SOURCES SAY
HAK, CHAIO KUAN-HUA, ENGAGED IN TIT-FOR-TAT BATTLE OVER
DATES; ADD THAT POLITICAL COST OF CANCELLING FORD VISIT
WOULD HAVE BEEN TOO GREAT FOR BOTH CAPITALS -- CHINESE
WANT VISIT SO THEY CAN DEMONSTRATE ABILITY ATTRACT
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VISITS BY WORLD'S MOST POWERFUL MEN; AND PRES WANTS
TRIP TO SHOW FOREIGN POLICY EXPERIENCE AS ELECTION YEAR
APPROACHES. PREDICT TRIP WILL BE LARGELY CEREMONIAL,
PRODUCING NO DRAMATIC DEVELOPMENTS OR ANNOUNCEMENTS.

NESSEN SAID ADVANCE PARTY DUE LEAVE NOV 17, SOON AFTER FORD RETURN FROM PARIS (CANNON,WP). WSTAR'S BRADSHER (11/12) SUGGESTS FURTHER DELAY IN SCHEDULING FORD TRIP FOLLOWED SCHLESINGER FIRING BECAUSE PEKING APPARENTLY DID NOT

WANT PUBLIC DISCUSSION OF TRIP ENTANGLED WITH CONTROVERSY OVER SCHLESINGER'S POSITION ON US-SOVIET DETENTE. REUTER'S HARRIS (11/12) REPORTS PRES PLANS ALASKA OVERNIGHT STOP ON WAY TO PRC TO INSPECT OIL PIPELINE CONSTRUCTION; ON WAY BACK, WILL SPEND TWO DAYS SPEECH-MAKING IN HAWAII BEFORE RETURN WASHINGTON DEC 8 OR 9 (GLOBE).

WEDNESDAY NESSEN SAID PRES WILL NOT CONSIDER WITHDRAWING BUSH CIA NOMINATION (CSM). CANNON REPORTS HE "MADE LIGHT OF OBJECTIONS" RAISED IN SENATE AGAINST BUSH ON GROUNDS HE IS PARTISAN STILL LOOKING FORWARD TO POLITICAL CAREER. SPOKESMAN TERMED QUERY ABOUT THIS OBJECTION "NONSENSE QUESTION," LAUDED BUSH AS "MAN OF INTELLIGENCE AND INTEGRITY" WITH "HIGH STANDARD OF MORALS AND ETHICS."

PHINQ CARRIES UPI TAIPEI PHOTO SHOWING STREETS JAMMED WITH MOTORCYCLES. SAYS VEHICLES TAKING OVER CAPITAL'S STREETS, AND COMING UNDER ATTACK FROM SOME OF COUNTRY'S LEGISLATORS WHO HAVE PROPOSED IMMEDIATE BAN ON CYCLES BECAUSE OF INCREASING NUMBER DEATHS, ACCIDENTS, ATTRIBUTED TO RECKLESS DRIVING.

2. CHINA/BURMA

NE WIN MET MAO TSE-TUNG NOV 13 FOR "CORDIAL AND FRIENOLY CONVERSATION." ACCORDING NCNA, TENG HSIAO-PING, GUB FM U HLA HPONE ALSO PRESENT. MEETING MAO'S FOURTH WITH FOREIGN DIGNITARY IN LESS THAN MONTH (REUTER PEKING).

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3. INDOCHINA

LEADER NVN DELEGATION TO REUNIFICATION TALKS, TRUONG CHINH, ARRIVES SAIGON TO ROUSING WELCOME. DISCUSSIONS EXPECTED BE FINISHED BY TET, OR FIRST ANNIVERSARY COMMUNIST TAKE-OVER ON APR 30 (AFP, PHINQ); 25-MAN NVN DELEGATION INCLUDES XUAN THUY. NO DATE FOR START OF TALKS ANNOUNCED YET (REUTER, NYT). SUN'S WU AT HK QUOTES REPORTS THAT DESCRIBE DELEGATION'S GALA DEPARTURE FROM HANOI, ARRIVAL SAIGON; COUNTRY "TUNED" TO REUNIFICATION. OPINES LONG DISPATCHES OF PAST FEW DAYS ON PREPARATORY WORK INDICATE NVN/SVN HAVE AGREED ON GENL STEPS TO BE FOLLOWED, AND N-S POLITICAL

CONSULTATIONS DUE TO START ARE MERELY FORMALITY.
BELIEVES UNIFICATION BECAME REALITY WHEN COMMUNISTS
TOOK SAIGON, WITH COUNTRY DOMINATED BY VN WORKERS PARTY,
BECAUSE APART FROM FRONT ORGANIZATIONS, SVN DOES NOT

HAVE OWN REAL POLITICAL PARTY.

SPOKESMAN FOR ASIAN-PACIFIC COUNCIL OF AMERICAN CHAMBERS
OF COMMERCE SAYS IN SEOUL THAT GOVT OFFICIALS BELIEVE
SETTLEMENT FROZEN ASSETS, LOCATION MIAS, MUST COME
BEFORE TRADE RESUMPTION; BUT GROUP BELIEVES RESUMPTION
TRADE WOULD LEAD TO SETTLEMENT SUCH PROBLEMS (LAT 11/11).
WSJ'S LIPSKY AT HK NOTES CAMPAIGN BUILDING UP AMONG US
BUSINESSMEN IN ASIA TO EASE US EMBARGO ON TRADE
WITH NVN, SVN, CAMBODIA. THEY FEAR LONG-TERM FREEZE-
OUT SIMILAR TO THAT MAINTAINED AGAINST PRC WOULD DENY
US FIRMS ACCESS TO POTENTIALLY IMPORTANT INDOCHINA
MARKETS, COULD DAMAGE US ECON RELS IN SEA, WOULD LET
JAPAN BEAT US TO INDOCHINA MARKET. MENTIONS APCACC
CALL ON US, VN, CAMBODIA TO DEVELOP TRADE ON BASIS
RECIPROCITY; GROUP EXPECTED LOBBY IN CONGRESS FOR
CHANGES IN US POLICY. NOTES DOS, WH OPPOSE ENDING
EMBARGO. SAYS EMBARGO OPPONENTS CLAIM TRADE SANCTIONS
AGAINST COMMUNIST NATIONS HAVE GAINED LITTLE. POINTS
OUT COMMUNISTS MADE EAGERNESS DEAL WITH AMERICANS
KNOWN WITH SURPRISING SPEED, WITH SIGNALS STILL COMING
IN. REVIEWS PROVISIONS OF EMBARGO.

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US DESERTER, WHO EMERGED FROM VN CAME UNDER MIL CONTROL
AT BANGKOK, IS ON WAY US VIA PHILS (UPI, PHINQ). NYDN'S
BARRELL AT BANGKOK REPORTS DESERTER RELEASED BY
COMMUNISTS LAST WK, ARRIVED WITH WIFE, CHILDREN FROM
SAIGON. WILL PROBABLY FACE COURT-MARTIAL AT SF.

4. INDOCHINA REFUGEES

PHINQ'S BROWN SAYS USG PLANS PHASE OUT CAMPS AT
INDIANTOWN GAP; CHAFFEE BEING DISRUPTED BY REFUGEES
RELUCTANT LEAVE FOR FEAR THEY MIGHT NOT BE REPATRIATED.
SAYS GOOD NUMBER OF 13,400 REMAINING WANT RETURN VN.
NOTES UNHCR TOURED INDIANTOWN GAP CAMP WHERE 101 OUT
OF 3443 REFUGEES SAY WANT REPATRIATION. UNHCR SKEPTICAL
ABOUT EARLY REPATRIATION, SAYS KNOWS LITTLE OF WHAT
HAPPENED TO EARLIER REPATRIATES.

5. JAPAN

JUSMIN SPOKESMAN REAFFIRMED WEDNESDAY THAT LAW BARS
ENTRY OF ANYONE WITH PRIOR DRUG CONVICTION. DENIED
ENTRY FORMER BEATLE PAUL MCCARTNEY ON GROUNDS

CONVICTED OF GROWING MARIHUANA (NYT).

PHINQ CITES KONOSUKE MATSUSHITA TELLING FOREIGN PRESS CLUB UNIVERSITIES TURNING OUT TOO MANY EDUCATED PEOPLE, WHO BOG DOWN DECISION-MAKING PROCESS WITH SUGGESTIONS.

FISHERMEN, WITH COAST GUARD, NAVY PATROL CRAFT ESCORT, BEGAN FIVE-DAY SWEEP OF TOKYO BAY, SEARCHING FOR DEADLY GAS BOMBS BELIEVED DUMPED BY JAPANESE FORCES AT END WW II. MARITIME SAFETY AGENCY SAID NO CONFIRMATION OF CLAIMS BY FISHERMEN WHO SAID WITNESSED DUMPING (REUTER, WP).

HIGH COURT THURSDAY BEGAN HEARING PROSECUTION APPEAL OF LOWER COURT ACQUITTAL OF EX-MAINICHI REPORTER TAKICHI NISHIYAMA. WAS CHARGED WITH ILLEGALLY OBTAINING THREE CLASSIFIED CABLES ON OKINAWA REVERSION NEGOTIATIONS FROM MFA SECRETARY IN 1971. SHE EARLIER SENTENCED SIX MONTHS IN JAIL, SUSPENDED FOR YEAR. UNCLASSIFIED

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LOWER COURT RULED NISHIYAMA ACT OF PERSUADING HASUMI GIVE HIM DOCUMENTS "JUSTIFIABLE" BECAUSE AIMED PURELY AT NEWS-GATHERING, BUT METHOD OPEN TO QUESTION. IN APPEAL, PROSECUTION SAID RIGHT GATHER NEWS SHOULD BE RESPECTED WITHIN FRAMEWORK OF CONSTITUTIONAL GUARANTEE OF FREE PRESS, BUT ARGUED NISHIYAMA METHOD WAS OBVIOUS DEPARTURE FROM SOCIALLY ACCEPTABLE METHOD, RAN COUNTER CANONS OF JOURNALISM.

HALLORAN (NYT) TELLS HOW HOUSEWIVES USE SAVINGS SQUEEZED OUT OF HOUSEHOLD MONEY TO PLAY STOCK MARKET, MOSTLY UNDER ASSUMED MALE NAMES TO KEEP HUSBANDS FROM KNOWING. THUS, NO WAY TELL HOW MANY WOMEN OWN STOCK. NOTES MOST BROKERS REFUSE LET WOMEN TRADE ON MARGIN, BECAUSE CAN'T PAY OFF WHEN STOCKS DECLINE.

6. AUSTRALIA

CONSERVATIVE INTERIM CABINET SWORN IN AMID STREET DEMONSTRATIONS, THREATS OF GENL STRIKE. LONDON OFFICIALS SAY NEITHER HMG, QUEEN HAD ANYTHING DO WITH GOV-GEN'S ACTION IN DISMISSING WHITLAM (GLOBE, NYDN; AP, WSTAR 11/12).

NYT'S BUTTERFIELD AT CANBERRA NOTES FEELING THAT AUSSIE RECORD OF POLITICAL STABILITY, DEMOCRATIC GOVT WILL NEVER BE SAME. SAYS MANY DEMONSTRATIONS EXPECTED BEFORE DEC 13 ELECTION. OBSERVES NEW POLITICAL SITUATION TROUBLES LARGE NUMBER UNATTACHED VOTERS WHO DISENCHANTED WITH BOTH MAJOR PARTIES, WORRY OVER DEMOCRACY'S FATE.

7. TIMOR

HOPES FOR EARLY PEACE TALKS SET BACK AS FRETILIN
LEADER SAYS COLLEAGUES ATTENDING WOULD BE CONSIDERED
TRAITORS (REUTER JAKARTA).

COMMENT AND ANALYSIS

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CSM CITES AUSSIE ORDEAL, NOTES CRISIS ACCOMPANIED
BY ISSUES OF INCREASING IMPACT AROUND WORLD: ECON
PRESSURE ON POLITICS, LABOR UNION INFLUENCE, ABILITY
DEMOCRATIC GOVTS MEET ECON PROBLEMS. WITH
CONTROVERSY CONTINUING, IN AUSTRALIA, MUCH DEBATE
EXPECTED BETWEEN NOW AND ELECTION, HOPES BITTERNESS
WILL BE MUTED, DEMONSTRATIONS PEACEFUL, UNIONS WILL
NOT RUIN ECONOMY BECAUSE OF SETBACKS; TRUSTS WILL BE
CONCENTRATION ON ISSUES WHOSE RESOLUTION WILL DETERMINE
COUNTRY'S FUTURE.

9. INDOCHINA

M. GREGG SMITH OF SALEM, ORE., WHO WORKS WITH VIET
REFUGEES LOCALLY, WRITES NYT TO QUOTE LETTER RECEIVED
BY SVIET FAMILY THAT DESCRIBES GRIM CONDITIONS SAIGON.
ASSERTS NEW REGIME HAS POLICY DENY WORK, FOOD, TO
FAMILIES WHO HAD MEMBERS IN ARVN, WORKED FOR
PREVIOUS GOVT, OR CONNECTED WITH SOMEONE WHO EVACUATED.
NOTES NVN BLOODBATH FOLLOWED COMMUNIST TAKE-OVER BY
2 YEARS; OPINES IN SVN HAS ALREADY BEGUN, IF MORE
SUBTLELY.

10. JAPAN-ECON SUMMIT

SUN'S SEIDEN IN TOKYO NOTES MIKI SETS OFF 11/13 FOR
PARIS "WITH A TIGHT HAND ON JAPAN'S PURSE AND A SHARP
EYE OUT FOR ITS OVERSEAS BUSINESS AND TRADE INTERESTS."
IN PRE-DEPARTURE TV SPEECH, PM SAID WOULD WARN SUMMIT
AGAINST RESURGENCE OF TRADE PROTECTIONISM, STRESS
IMPORTANCE OF EXPANDING FREE TRADE, STATE JAPAN CANNOT
AFFORD MAJOR INCREASE IN ECON AID TO DC'S. ACCORDING
"LEAKED COPY" OF PARIS SPEECH REPORTED BY PRESS, MIKI
WARNS REPEATEDLY AGAINST "1930'S-STYLE TRADE PROTECTION-
ISM," ARGUES WORLD ECON RECOVERY DEPENDS ON EXPANSION
OF UNRESTRICTED TRADE, PLEDGES JAPAN WILL INCREASE
FOREIGN AID THREE-FOLD OVER NEXT FIVE YEARS, REPORTS
JAPANESE ECONOMY STILL "STILL WEAK" BUT ON ROAD TO
RECOVERY.
SUN'S LETHWAITE IN PARIS REPORTS GISCARD'S STATEMENT

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EXPECTATIONS OF ECON SUMMIT HE HOSTING THIS WEEKEND. SAID SIX-NATION MEETING AT RAMBOUILLET SHOULD GIVE OVERALL ECONOMIC "ORIENTATION" BUT NOT SEEK IMPLEMENT MECHANISMS OR TAKE FORMAL DECISIONS. STATED PRECISE AGREEMENTS ON SO-CALLED NEW ECON ORDER SHOULD COME FROM NEXT MONTH'S 27-NATION ECON CONFERENCE OF OIL PRODUCERS, INDUSTRIALIZED, DEVELOPMENT NATIONS. SUPPORTED DETENTE, FOR WITHOUT FRANCE CAN BE NONE IN EUR, OR IN WORLD -- AND IF EUR DETENTE NOT SUFFICIENTLY ESTABLISHED, HELSINKI-STYLE INITIATIVE BY SOVIET IN ASIA WOULD BE "ABORTIVE."

WP STATES PRES, HEADS FIVE OTHER INDUSTRIAL NATIONS, WILL MEET TO HOLD INTENSE, PRIVATE CONVERSATIONS OUTSIDE PARIS THIS WEEKEND, NOT FOR "HIGH DEALS AND NOBLE ASPIRATIONS" BUT SOMETHING MORE DURABLE -- "GRITTY, ANXIOUS SENSE OF NECESSITY BORN OF REALIZATION THEIR ENORMOUS WEALTH GENERATED BY ENORMOUS FLOWS OF TRADE, INVESTMENTS THAT TIE THEM TOGETHER MORE CLOSELY THAN ANY SENSIBLE POLITICIAN FACING OWN CONSTITUENTS FINDS COMFORTABLE TO CONTEMPLATE. SINCE IDEA OF MEETING ORIGINATED LAST SUMMER, CLIMATE HAS CHANGED SHARPLY, WITH BRISK USRECOVERY UNDER WAY, DOL EXCHANGE RATE UP. STILL MUCH FOR SIX LEADERS TO DISCUSS -- HOW TO MANAGE RECOVERY; IMPLICATIONS OF ENORMOUS GROWTH OF WEUR, JAPAN IN 1960S THAT DISPLACED US AS WORLD'S ONLY LARGE, RICH MARKET; AND MEANING OF INCREASED INTERDEPENDENCE THAT HAS BROUGHT INTO PHASE GROWTH-RECESSION CYCLES ALL MAJOR INDUSTRIAL NATIONS. COMMON BOOM OF 1971-73 WAS INDEED "FEVERISH," STRAINING CAPACITY AND RAW MATERIALS; BUT RECESSION THAT FOLLOWED WAS DEEPEST, MOST DANGEROUS OF GENERATION. THUS, QUESTION FACING POLITICIANS AT RAMBOUILLET IS WHETHER THEY CAN PREVENT REPETITION OF INCREASINGLY DANGEROUS BOOM-BUST PATTERN. ALL HAVE GOOD REASON TO FEAR CRESTING OF BOOM NOW GETTING UNDER WAY, BUT NOT CLEAR THEY KNOW WHAT TO DO ABOUT IT, OR EVEN WHETHER PREPARED TO WORK TOGETHER TO FORESTALL IT.

WSJ (GANNON, JANSEEN, PEARLSTINE) STATES SIX WORLD LEADERS WILL MEET IN FRANCE, HAUNTED BY "TRIPLE THREAT: UNCLASSIFIED

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RECESSION, INFLATION AND POLITICAL REPUDIATION." WH'S SEIDMAN SAYS SUMMIT "NOT DESIGNED TO MAKE DECISIONS," BUT MEANT BE "BEGINNING OF A DIALOG ON A PERSONAL BASIS." OTHER US OFFICIAL EXPLAINED WILL BE EASIER WORK OUT MONETARY, TRADE, OTHER NEGOTIATIONS LATER, IF LEADERS

MEETING IN PRIVATE, SCREENED FROM PRESS, DEVELOP

BETTER SENSE OF RAPPORT, BETTER ABILITY COMMUNICATE,
"EVEN A SENSE OF COMMUNITY." WSJ SAYS ONE IDEA
THAT MIGHT EMERGE COULD BE CALL FOR ANOTHER
SUMMIT NEXT YEAR, WHICH US OFFICIALS LIKE, AND MIKI
WISHES PROPOSE BE HELD IN TOKYO. KISSINGER

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